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SUBJECT: Serial #: 09/972,639  
File Date: 10/9/01  
US Patent No.: US6,657,310  
Issue Date: 12/2/03  
Inventor: Mou-Shiung Lin  
Title: Top Layers Of Metal For High Performance IC's

**PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.183**

This is a Petition, filed under 37 CFR 1.183, to correct the above referenced US Patent. The Petition is in response to the Issued Patent with an incorrect assignee name.

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231 on September 13, 2004.

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Please waive the requirements of 37 CFR 3.81 to permit the correction to the assignee name to be provided after the issuance of the patent.

The assignee's name was inadvertently added on the Issue Fee Transmittal Form (PTOL-85B). The assignee's name and address should have been left blank, there is no assignee for this patent application.

The Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized to charge payment of the petition fee of \$130 associated with this communication to our Deposit Accountant 19-0033.

Please contact our office at (845) 452-5863 if further information is requested regarding this matter. A timely response regarding this matter would be appreciated.

If this Petition is granted, please forward the file and the attached Certificate of Correction to the Certificate of Correction Branch, for issuance of a Certificate of Correction to correct the assignee.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'SBA', followed by a long horizontal flourish.

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Enclosures: Recordation  
Certificate of Correction